# The Middle School Good Times

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## Band Concert Held

The 8th grade bandpresented a concert Wednesday night at 7:30 in the middle school auditorium.

The pieces that were played are in this order:"Two Bach Chorales,"Little English Suite;"Can You Read My Mind? " "Symphony for Band", "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald".

The 6th grade band will also perform playing "The Crusaders", "Krazy Clock", "Two French Flavors" and"Chocolate Moose". by T.D. & A.K.

## OPEN LETTER ON SMOKING

Dear _____

There's so much you should know about smoking and how bad it is for your health. You think you know all about smoking. Well, let me tell you something. You don't.

Why do you always think I nag you to stop smoking? It's because I care about you and our family. Plus I know how harmful it is to our lives. Did you know that when we breath in smoke from your cigarettes it's more harmful to us (the non-smokers) than it is to you.

I know it's going to be hard for you to stop smoking.Well, then don't quit 'forever'- just stop for a day or two or smoke one less cigerette each day. Remember it won't hurt to try. Now if you really cared about the family, you would stop or try to cut down on those nasty cancer-sticks.

If you care, stop...

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The above is a letter written in Mrs. Mahanty's health class. There were many excellent ones but we chose this one and you may clip it out and send it to whomever you think needs to read it.

## Last Day Ideas

What to watch out for on the last day of school...

Tricky teachers trying to make you go to summer school,

When the cooks try to poison the lunches so you don't return in the fall,

Watch so when it's time to go at the end of the day, you don't trip or you'll get trampled.

A.R.

## SPRING

Spring the renewal, the birth
Fresh life bursting forth,
The earth rousing from its sleep
Reaching
Groping for perfection
A new life begun.

Alas! Too short it seems
Just began , then done
Childhood for everything
Not long
Pure and clean, cleansing now,
It gives way to truth.

It must.

a.m.

## BEAUTY AIDS

Hey girls! How about some inexpensive beauty aids? These are all home products. Here are the simple items.

1. Egg yolks from broken bird's eggs to wash your hair with.
2. Broken clam shells to shave your legs.
3. Open pine cones to use as a brush.
4. Ground up grass mixed with pine tree sap to use for eye shadow. (green)
5. Mud for mascara applied with pine cone needles.
6. Ground raspberries for lipstick-(available in red or black)
7. Orange juice perfume.
8. Last but not least.. this 'll really hook your guy.. a fresh flower for your hair.

T.D.

## Fan Fatality

Once upon a time there was a man who loved the movies so much, he would see about ten movies a week. One day he saw a movie star standing on the corner. The man was very excited. When the star turned around he met the man's excited expression with a frown. The movie stsr yelled at him and shot him in the back. Themman lay in the street bleeding but managed to say,"Other than that, can I have your autograph?"

c.t.

## Travel Tips

Travel Tips...

Buy a pack of gum and when someone stops the car, jump out with the pre-chewed gum and wack the tire with it. That's a real attention grabber. Your dad will undoubtedly yell and carry on.

At night tape your mom and dad snoring and then in the car play it back. They'll laugh so hard they'll have to stop along the side of the road.

Write nasty letters tothe people who drive in back of you.

If all else fails, just sit there and hum. It'll drive them crazy.

t.j.

## More Last Day Ideas

Warnings about locker unloading.

1. Be careful of six month old lunches.
2. Be wary of moldy gym clothes

How to last til June 17

1. Keep on bringing your own lucnhes.
2. Keep studying hard
3. Just before exams, study even harder.
4. Keep counting the days and you'll make it.

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How to survive exams

1. The only real big thing you can do to survive exams is to study..so get those books and start cramming.(studying)

What to do on a rainy summer day

1. Clean your room (your mother will love you)
2. Clean the closet in your room(that will really make her happy)

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Cheat is the magic word. A cheater only cheats himself but if you're successful you'll get a pretty good allowance. Instead of studying, you make a simple cheat sheet. A good cheat sheet is 2"x2"- just big enough to get important facts on that you will never need to know as an adult..if you make it that far. Use a pencil so you can use both sides. If you are too sumb to get the right answers even on yout cheat sheet, you can always eye-ball your neighbor's paper. Remember it takes more effortto cheat than to learn it.

d.r.

## spelling poems

There was an old witch
who could make a switch
She took a belt of leather
waved it twice and appeared a feather.

She rang a bell
and sent me to a cell.
There were six bricks with my name
carved, a few magic words and the
bricks enlarged.
She stood upon a large platform,
raised her arm and started a storm.

Of course my reaction was fear.
I escaped and ran like a deer.

Tammy Sebright

As I was walking down the street,
I saw someone I'd like to meet.
He had a paruple hat with a yellow star.
He looked like he was from the planet
Mars.
He was standing by the road, talking
to a little toad.
He changed the toad to a handsome prince
He acted as though it were a cinch.
I carved a message into a tree,
I wrote- I better watch out or he might
zap me.
My reaction was mild and very stern
I wanted to run so I started to turn.
I stopped dead- right in my tracks.
Something had to be pulling me back.
I wanted to look but I did not dare,
Boy was that ever a scare!
He stopped me and I looked straight
in his eyes,
And to my surprise, his eyes were kind.
I would have made friends with him,
But daylight was dim,
I told him "I had tp run."
I also said "this is fun."
As I walked home that night,
I couldn't forget that very strange
sight.

Chris Boley

## 8th Gr. Tells All in Survey

The Good Times has been surveying the eighth grade classes every year for the last seven to see what they'll miss most about the middle school, what advice they have to give to the 6th and 7th graders, and what they would leave to whom and why? This year again those same questions were asked and here are their answers.----------

What will you miss most about the middle school?

Mary Beth Banner will"miss Mr. Edinger's pop quiz zes and bubble puzzles." Tammy Jeffries will miss food flights in the cafeteria but feels there's probably more to come (in high school.) Steve Richardson will miss"the delicious lunches." Barb Burmester will miss "Mrs. Swanson's saying 'Time for a little fun in grammar.'"

Mike Chamberlin thinks he'll miss "the bones in Friday's fishwiches and the terrible tomatoes in Tuesday's soup." Richard Gibson will miss most of all "Mr. Snyder'sand Mrs. Engels' science class and Mrs. Swanson's English class."

Tammy Ruiter will miss study hall and "Mr. Stenner and Mr. Crook and Mr. Snyder." Margie Harrell will miss "my younger friends and Mrs. Swanson and Mr. Stenner,but most of all, Mr. Topp and Mrs. Barrett."

Tim Payne will miss" my locker because I can't hit it shut after I'm gone." John Hazen will miss" the 500 club. I will miss band." Eric Wing will miss "Mrs. Engels' science class and all the cut downs." Susan Diljak will miss " Mr. Brill's stories."

Judith Baker will miss "Mr. Edinger staring at me in class." Jennifer Triquet will "miss the teachers most. The food isn't bad if you want your insides to rot. I'll miss Mr. Snyder's lectures which you can hear in Mr. Edinger's room." Joe Garza will miss"the air vents." Ann Reed will miss "all the crazy things some people do with the hot lunch." David Revore will miss"the odor of the lunch coming up through the vents and killing us like agent orange."

Ruth Frey will miss " Mr. Doddema and going out to lunch." Dan Stamp will miss"sitting quietly in Mrs. Swanson's class." (a bit of verbal irony?)

## WE'LL MISS...

Sue Wolownik will miss" the shower rooms and I'm going to miss the good dankes we've had and all the good times in Ms. Swanson's class." Jacklin Van Alstine will miss" Mr. Kannegieter because he is so foxy and Mr. Crook for the same reason." Bonnie Ray will miss " the terrific lunches and the nice smell that goes with them. I'll also miss Ms. Swanson's'toes'poster."

Sara Hoffman will miss the "short naps during Mr. Edinger's films." Chris Hamilton will miss" gym the most." Kevin Kniss will miss "Mr. Topp yelling at us." Brenda Bailey will miss "the stairs and the slimey bathrooms." Kelle Maxwell will miss "Mr. Kannegieter teaching gym, no doubt! Sorry to say I won't miss my mother!"

Kelli Fisk will miss"all the good times here even though there aren'ttoo many. I'll miss Mr. Kannegieter because he is such a fox." Rhonda Silcott will miss "Mr. Edinger's chronologies." Janette Laverack will miss "Ms. Swanson making funny remarks, Mrs. Herwick's very nice smile, and Mrs. Coleman helping me with homework."

Chris Fritz will miss "Mr. Topp and his calling me'Mrs. Bucky Beaver' and also him calling Melissa Cowell 'Mrs. Fritz'." Robert Grile will miss "the sickening lunch." Jeremy Johnson will miss Paul Connolly's stale jokes and Ms. Swanson's journals."

Brett Ogden will miss "Mr. Zolp's easy tests and Ms. Swanson's homework." Michele Dokey will miss" Mr. Topp telling Kara Lucas and me that he loves us!" Michele Makowski will miss "Mr. Topp buggin me all the time, I'll miss Mr. Zolp for giving me a hard time in math and I'll miss his dittos."

Lisa Thomas will miss "our luxurious bathrooms- plaster coming off the walls, no doors, no soap, rusty sink and toilets which are at least 100 years old." Greg Dillon will miss "the substitute, Mrs. Mc Krum." So will Mike Wunderlich."

Rob Knight will miss "the field trips that we had." (?)Kim Krause will miss " Mr. Topp's movies about reading and Mr. Brill and his lectures and mostly his section helps."

Claudia Willsea will miss"Ms. Swanson's crazy sense of humor, Mr. Zolp's wonder-

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fully witty jokes and his hilarious puzzle sheets. Ha!Ha!. I'll also miss that look on his face when you say some thing and he can't figure out why everyone is laughing."

Laurie Veldt will miss " the tanta - lizing smells in the back of 6th hour math. I will miss the great times in math too ..talking, getting D's on quizzes and all that fun stuff." Anita Capone will miss "my younger friends." Lee Glidden will miss" the teachers. I can't bug 'em." (Don't worry,lee. There are teachers in the high school, too.) Erik Hindenach will miss " Mrs. Jacher's fun class, the interior decorating in the locker room and the smell of the delicious garlic chicken.(groan)." Mike Kubiszak will miss "the gourmet meals and all that wonderful homework without which I could waste time watching tv and doing fun things. Also I'll miss the aroma of the locker room."

Kim Kirshman will miss, as will Gina, "Mr. Stenner's fuzzy wuzzy face and Mrs. Matson.. well, she'll miss our(Gina, Kim, Lisa, Sue and Brandy) gossip sessions in art." Sonja Reisterer will miss"Mr. Zolp and Mr. Stenner." Richard Stanley will miss" some of the teachers." Tina Rumsey will miss" gettting into trouble and Mr. Zolp for giving us a wrecked car."

Dan Crandall will miss" all of the nice teachers and the fun times at the dances. Mainly I will miss Mr. Topp and Mr. Stenner." Pam Hess will miss"a few of the teachers and only a few...like Mr. Topp and Mr. Stenner." Bill McKee will miss"Mr. Zolp's terrible jokes." Susan Campbell will miss" Mr. Stenner."

Tammy Frank will miss"teachers,friends in the 7th grade and I'll especially miss Mr. Topp and Mr. Kannegieter and Mr. Stenner."Shelly Blacksten will miss " all my 7th and 6th grade friends and Mr. Crook and Mr. Stenner." Janet Weldon will miss" some ofthe teachers but mostly maybe the school's tater tots and some of the dances."

## OUR ADVICE ...

So... What advice would you give to 6th and 7th graders?

Greg Dillon and Mike Wunderlich, who must have collaborated on their surveys, both said," if the food doesn't get you, the teachers will." (actually they said "don't get ya" but their English teacher couldn't bring herself to type it!)

Jeremy Johnson says,"drop out before they strap you in a chair and force you to watch a very long boring Encyclopedia Britannica film over and over." Tom Kanouse says," "don't fall back on your assignments." Jeff Cella suggests,"pack a lunch or bring some Tums." Tammy Dreier says," two brains are better than one ." Julie Kemp says," beware of Mr. Edinger's quizzes- they're terrible. Also, be cautious of Mr. Drury. He has eyes in the back of his head." Alyson Wilfong warns,"watch out for the bugs and fungus in the girl's shower room. Don't eat the lucnhes if you want a good day,but if you want a bad day, well, then, think about it. If you want a good and fun English class, get Ms. Swanson." Ron Quis says,"don't eat lunch in the cafeteria and don't throw snow balls at 4 x 4 Dodge pick ups because Mr. Drury doesn't like it."

Jim Chamberlin advises that you " don't eat the school food. It is dangerous." Scott Dent warns,"watch what you eat. Eat a good lunch- bring your own.Also Scott better keep his grades up or no motorcycle." Ricky White suggests,"don't mess around with Mrs. Pfister. She might get mad. Work hard for Mrs. Dobbs."

Kelly Goodwin says," before you eat the lunch, check to see if there's anything dead in it." Connie Page advises "don't take health unless you want to do CPR on smelly dummies!" Kara Lucas wanrs,"stay away from Mr. Zolp. Don't have English 5th hour Swanson. The garlic smells awful." Jim Jackson suggests that you "bring cold lunch every day."Denny Snow has no advice but he comments that " it's broing but the teachers are ok! The food is terrible."

Anne Moore suggests that you"buy the Good Times more often." (all right!) Paul Imus suggests "going to a different school and be happy." Paul Connolly says "quit school or leave before it's too late."

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Michelle Serbenski warns," Don't call Mr. Stenner or Mr. Topp by their first names. Geton Mrs. Dobbs' good side."Ron St.Clair says,"laugh at Mr. Stenner's corny jokes." Cheryl Rieck warns,"don't get caught leaving school for lunch." Marty Danberry says," don't eat the food and be as nice as possible to the teachers to get a good grade."

Ron Heldak advises," do not eat the school lunches especially the pizza. The grease just sits on top of it and the fish in the fishwich are alive. Save a piece of the pizza and take it home. Then get some fish and put them on the pizza. They can swim around." Evan Jones warns,"watch out for angry 8th graders. Don't steal exit signs and hold your breath while dressing for gym."

Alma Garcia says," don't eat the school's spaghetti because it's alive. I speak from experience. Once it was crawling out of my tray." Mark Hindenach says,"don't drink the rotten milk. It's from dead buffaloes. It gives you stomach aches and ulcers. If you want something good, try Streffling burgers."

Amy Lossie suggests that you "laugh at all the stupid jokes Mr. Zolp tells you and don't get caught." Chad Rife advuses "be quiet in class and never leave something of value in your locker." Richard Baughman advises,"don't get Mr. Topp angry and don't get caught capying in Mr. Zolp's class."

Jerry Weatherwax simply states, "I won't give you any advice. I'll let you suffer like I did." Carrie Trowbridge suggests," staying out of trouble and doing your work." Mindy Donovan warns,"Never give the excuse ofa 'kidney problem' to get out of Mr. Cassell's class."

Rita Howe suggests"start now to think of something to write on these surveys."

Toni Moorian says,"stay a safe distance from the school menu and be kind to all short people." Sue Wolownik warns that"you don't ever say you better then Mr. Kannegieter' and don't challenge him." David Revore suggests that you"never take a shower and people won't bug you." Margie Harrell suggests that you "be a library adie because Mrs. Barrett needs all the help she can get. Also to be in this school, you have to be crazy like everyone else."

Joe Garza advises you"stay clean and keep out of trouble. Don't join boxing. j.j. (just joking)!" Lisa Tarala says "beware of surprise quiazes. Don't eat the lunch." Richard Gibson advises, "6th and 7th graders, don't eat the school lunch." Barb Burmester says," Confucius say,'Never underestimate a teacher.'" Bill Towle says," drink milk but don't drink the water. Hold your breath in the locker rooms and never run by Mr. Cassell."

Bonnie Ray suggests," watch out because mice crawl up from the sewer in the shower room anddie. You may walk down there sometime and find a dead rat or mouse at the bottom of the steps." Kelli Fisk says,"try not to eat too much of the food here or you'll never make it past 8th grade. Look out for dead rats in the locker rooms and don't let the slime and mold grow on you. "

## OUR WILLS

The final question was "What do you leave to whom and why?"

Bill Towle, being of sound mind (?), leaves to "Mr. Zolp all of my notes, Ms. Swanson all of my low desks, and to Mr. Edinger, all of my chronologies."

Mark Hindenach leaves " my good locker to Trevor Carlsen and my three-month-old lunch to Kris Hindenach because she eats a lot." Harold Brugh leaves " my locker to the best-looking girl in the 7th grade."

Jeff Cella leaves "to Tom Wunderlich and Glen Dillon my old shoes so they will have something coll to wear." Jeremy Johnson leaves"my unfinished home ec. project to Mrs. Jacher and my report cards to the Hall of Fame."

Stan Palasinski leaves " my gym clothes and shoes to Michelle Makowski, all the extra clothes in my locker to Brian Hall, my locker and pcitures to

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Bob Kendall and last but not least my books to Anne Moore."

Patty Thomas leaves " to John Griffith, my 'wonderful' grades and something from my gym bag." Heidi Smith leaves" good luck to Jari Haas in making the 500 club." Lisa Rice will leave" Sherri Ghastin and Jari Haas all the 8th grade teachers and...good luck!"

Chris Bishop leaves" to whoever gets to it first, my historical locker that I put my books in, my favorite books that have my personalized autograph and last but not least I leave the janitor Jim all my personal possessions left in my locker at the end of the year."

Renee Counterman leaves"my smarts and my dirty sweats to Donna Jacobs." Anna Rose leaves " to Jari Haas the gum under Mrs. Engels' desks that I left there." Paula Nash leaves " my great brains, big mouth and attendence to my little brother Mark to carry on the Nash tradition."

LuAnn Haskins leaves" all my books and folders to David Lean, although he won't need them and to Jill Greene I keave my locker and papers." Cathy Thayer leaves " to Joe Kruizinga, Steve Whitworth and Pat Essex, all the fun at dances, to Scott Vanderwall all the stinky mats in gym and to Mike M. , all the memories we never had."

Tammy Spell leaves "bad luck and all my homework and all of my teachers." Karen Buck leaves "my notes and all my boyfriends (if any) to Cathy Wrona and my grubby locker to Scarlet Rife."

Cathy Ladd leaves to Kim Kelly all my old pencils;that way she can write me with no excuses." Joe Muvrin leaves "everything tothe lucnhroom. Heaven knows they could use it. I leave some height to Scott Meeth and all my teachers to those who have to put up with them next year."

Annie Pitts leaves "all my bad grades and bad luck to Carol Roberts ." Scott Knight leaves" Kevin Kniss to Kelly Longshore, Amy Albar and Sherry Ghastin. I leave Kelle Maxwell to Mr. Kannegieter." Melissa Cowell leaves " to Chris Boley, all mybooks since she gets such good grades anyhow...unlike her cousin."

Chris Twardowski leaves "to Scott Meeth three pieces of gum in Mr. Topp's room, the 17 peices in Mr. Zolp's, the 6 pieces in Mr. Brill's and the note I wrote in Mrs. Engels'. To anybody who wants them, I leave my A+ report cards and to Mr. Zolp my brains."

Craig Curtis leaves" a pair of good books on how to tell good jokes and how to teach math (only kidding there, Mr. Zolp.)" Mary Rumsey leaves" to Cheryl Zentmyer my old sweat pants and to Mr. Zolp my math folder so he can have the correct answers and also to Mrs. Engels I leave my cousin Eric Lantz who will be coming up in a few years."

Vicki VanOoy leaves to "Tasha Thompson my locker and all the Great teachers." Deidre Bergeson leaves" all my good work papers to give to all my teachers to remember me by." Kim Langedyk says "I'm taking everything with me." Debra McEndarfer leaves "to Bobby all the great girls and to Susan my great locker."

Carolyn Wilson will leave" my locker to Stefan Tokarchick so he can put all his junk in there since I put all mine in his." Ron Ciszek leaves" John Hazen my 'Showtime'!" David Denson leaves "my money and motorcycle and all my valuables to Steve Whitworth because I'd know he would put them to good use."

Penny Kelley leaves" my dirty gym clothe to Mr. K, my pencils, books to Jennifer Triquet and all my school books to the teachers." Fred Timkovich leaves " Ronnie Rogers my 5th grade shoes that went through the whole school,and the restrooms and are now recovered. I also leave him my E math notebook when he fails so he can learn from my mistakes."

Rob Schmitt leaves"all the pieces of gum under the counter in the lunch line for Kelly Longshore who always has a piece in her mouth and the 8th grade basket ball team leaves our record for the 7th grade." Todd Barkovich leaves " everything to my sister because there isn't anything I have to leave anyhow and she doesn't deserve anything." Matt Sides leaves" my books to the garbage and the school lunch to whomever will take it. My sister will want it."

"I, Mike Coder, of sound mind and body, do hereby leave everything to the one and only friend in the 6th grade of mine, Tim Zdzinicki." Dan Kalmbach leaves "my gum to whmever the jerk is who will take it." Larry Kinter leavss "my height what little I have to Scott Vanderwall and

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the girls to Jon Griffith." Andy Glomski leaves no one my locker because no one deserves it; it's 427." Linda Rozenbergs leaves "my science book with all the answers in it to Pat McQuire, to my dear brother Pete, my intelligence and knowledge and to Sherry my Scott Baio picture in my locker."

Brandy Dunn leaves "Sherry Ghastin my stuff stashed away behind Lisa's locker." Quentin Adkins leaves "anyone who ends up with Mrs. Engels alias Weiss all my old test. You still might not pass."

Brenda Schaafsma leaves" being of lost mind an old lunch bag that has been in my locker for about six months and contains a banana and a bologna sandwich to my cousin Ted Beitenbach. With his taste he'll love it. I leave a pair of sweaty gym clothes to Lorrie Williams; it'll save her the trouble of sweating in gym." Christina Podkol leaves " to each of my teachers my books and homework so they may the privilege of experiencing what work they gave me. I leave my watch and my fortune ($50.65) to the cooks and thank you for the breathtaking lunches. As for my body, dig a hole and dump it in."

Mike Chamberlin leaves "Mrs. Dobbs a big hunk of cheese for the mouse in her closet." Brett Ogden leaves" all my pencils to Ms. Swanson and everything lese to my sister." Dan Stamp leaves" to Scott Vanderwall my original Bubble Yum, Hubba Hubba, Bubblicious et.c gum collection in my locker." Denise Terrell leaves "to Cheryl Zentmyer all my times with Mrs. Dobbs' class and all my old bad grades to anyone who wantsthem."

Erik Hindenach leaves " all my fuzzy pencils to J.R. Doddema and all my belongings to Trevor Carlson and my sister Kris." Lannie Veldt leaves " to John Hazen all my old peanut butter and jelly snadwiches in the bottom of my locker- they are a nice shade of green. Happy eating. To anyone who wants it, my locker complete with broken shelf, no back and lovely green carpet. I recommend a stick-up too." Rob Knight leaves my deodorant to Tim DePierre and to my dear sister Lulu, I leave my dietac." Kara Lucas leaves " Doug Thompson all the girls in the school even though he'll get 'em anyway and a lot of luck. I leave Bobby Yack a step-stool so when he's at the dances he'll come up to at least shoulder level."

After all that "leaving", the 8th grade also says farewll to all of you! Don't you wish you were going to be freshmen too?

## TRACK SEASON

The track teams had a good season this spring. Many new records were set. Both boys'and girls' teams trounced Decatur in that meet. The boys came very close to beating Allegan, losing by 64½ to 67½. The girls lost that match. In a triangular meet with Bangor and Martin, the girls and guys really walked all over Martin but were bested by Bangor in each case.

In the meet with Three Rivers and Schoolcraft, the boys beat T.R. 66½ to 61 and really ran over Schoolcraft (24½). The girls lost to T.R. by a score of 55½ to 69½, still beating Schoolcraft who scored 28.

A lot of work went into the season. Congratulations for a job well done go to Amy Albar, Joelle Bowman, Kathy Brennan, Susan Campbell, Anita Capone, Maggie Catlett, Renee Goesn, Jeri Haas, Renata Hartman, Pam Hess, Kim Kelly, Ellen Kinville, Cathy Ladd, Kelly Longshore, Susan Lowman, Michele Parish, Ann Reed, Cheryl Rieck, Gina Rigozzi, Linda Rozenbergs, Kelly Russell, Michele Serbenski, Lisa Thomas, Carrie Trowbridge, Jenny Wells, Carolyna Wilson, Melissa Worden, and Heidi Smith.

Also congrats to the boys: Steve Whitworth, Jeff Vandenbos, Ron St. Clair, Rob Schmitt, Paul Schincariol, Dave Revore, Scott Maylath, David Nondorf, Kevin Kopec, Shwan Kokitus, Kevin Kniss, Gary Kirby, Larry Kinter, Andy Johnson, Phil Hubbard, Bruce Hendricksen, Jon Griffith, Jose Garcia, Greg Dillon, Randy Coskey, Ron Ciszek, Mike Clarke, Mike Chamberlin, Jim Chamberlin, Andy Brotebeck, and Todd Barkovich.

## Veggies & Fruits

In a whole different kind of survey, the sixth graders on the Good Times staff checked to see what were favorite veggies for middle schoolers.

Amy Baker would like to be "a squash because it's the closest to the color pink." Amy Lutz would be a "spinach plant becuase I like the taste." Chris Picarte would "like to be a green pepper because I like them."

Mrs. Kovach would be a "string bean because they are talland slender." Ron Weston said he would like to eb a"potato because it tastes good." Mike Melson would be a "piece of corn because I like it." said he would be a

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"carrot because I like them." Mike Smith would be "a sweet pea because they taste good." Randy Good said he would be a carrot "because they're good for your health," Mr. Lutz said he'd be "a mango because it's differnnt." Mr. Ruesink said he'd be a "zucchini squash because they're large and lovable." Tony Hutchings would be an "apple because everybody likes them." Todd Hess would bea "pear because they're sweet like me."

More along the fruit line was John Glomski who asnwered" a grapefruit"because he likes them.

## vacation hints

1. Don't do any work. Just sit around.
2. Don't run out in front of a Mac truck just to see what happens to you.
3. Never get up in the morning. Stay in bed or it will endanger your health.
4. Don't hitchhike on the bottom of a DC-10.
5. Don't tie yourself to an anchor and let someone else thorw you over the side of a boat. You could get a hernia.
6. If you don't know how to be safe, let someone peel off all of your skin and throw you into a tub hydrogen peroxide. You'll never notice summer at all!

by K. G.

The Good Timers

Ken Good win, Chris Twardowski, Tammy Dreier, Anne Moore, Ann Reed, Robert Grile, Andy Kokitus, David Millek, Greg Terrill, and Scott Lindenbach. (and all the 8th graders) Kara Lucas & Meliss Cowell

See you in fall.

## hunger

The hunger gnawed at her inside like a dog at a bone. But it was not as bad as it had been; it would not be long now.

She laughed mirthlessly. How many people had she seen this way? She had helped where she could but who would help her?

She licked her lips. It might have been better if she had been unable to find water. Death was swifter that way.

But she had found water. Now she had not the power to leave it. She knew only that it prolonged the agony. Still she kept thinking that they might find her the next day. What good would it do if she were dead?

They probably hadn't noticed she was missing yet. Her trip was to have lasted two weeks; sje had wanted to be alone and had told no one where she was going.

She moved slowly and painfully towards the poo that contained the drinking water. She put her head down sucking in the water.

With the water she might last a week. They'd find her soon.

She lay down and slept, not bethering to move away from the water. And whileshe slept, the pain of hunger ached in her insides.

a. m.

## Paw Paw as Paradise Vacation

It's a bright sunny day. Your family needs a vaction. But you say, "Nooo we don't have enough money to go to Kalamazoo so how are we going to go to Wisconsin or Florida?"

Suddenly you say,"I have an idea. We could stay here in Paw Paw for our vacation."

"What?" the family cries ."in Paw Paw?"

"Yes", you say."Here in Paw Paw. We could visit the dump, the historical Dykeman house..uh pardon me.. the Village Pump, the winery, or the Coca Cola bottling plant."

"We wanna leave Paw Paw," they say.

"We could ride our bikes uptown;it's only ten miles," I reply.

"But," they pipe up,"we don't have bikes."

"Oh well, we could walk then. Everybody ready? Let's go. Hup, two,three, four,hup.." Isay.

Four hours later down by the Tastee Freez, at the falls, puff puff.

"We made it."

"Now, puff, puff, what will we do?"

"Iv'e got it- go over the falls in a barrel."

"Wait," says my wife,"why don't you get into a barrel first, go over the falls and when you get out, tell us how it is. If it's fun, we'll do it."

"Ojay," I say.

She waits until you get into the barrel. Then she puts the top on. "Oh dear. The top is loose. We wouldn't want you to get wet."

So they nail the top down, kick it over the falls, and say" so long . See you in Hawaii."

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